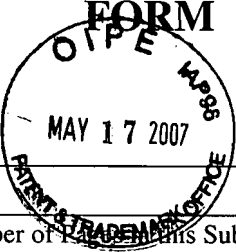


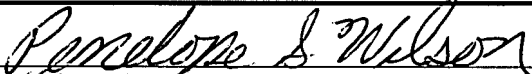
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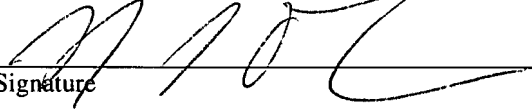
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**AMENDMENT**

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed March 22, 2007.

It is not believed that extensions of time or fees for net addition of claims are required, beyond those which may otherwise be provided for in documents accompanying this paper.

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However, in the event that additional extension of time are necessary, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned under 37 C.F.R. Section 1.136(a) and any fees required for consideration of this paper (including fees for net addition of claims) are authorized to be charged in one originally-executed and one duplicate copy of an Amendment Transmittal Letter filed herewith.

Please amend the subject application, as follows:

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 3 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 4 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 7 of this paper.